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CLAIMS

- 1. A dispersion comprising a thermoplastic polymer, a phthalate ester of a C₁-C₆ alkylated aromatic alcohol, a surfactant and further comprising one or more components selected from the group consisting of:
- 5 a metal carbonate
 - a white metal oxide,
 - an alkaline earth metal salt of a C₉-C₂₀ aliphatic fatty acid,
 - a solvent,

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- a rust inhibitor, and
- a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer.
 - 2. The dispersion of claim 1 wherein the lower alkyl methacrylate polymer is an ethyl methacrylate polymer.
 - 3. The dispersion of claim 1 comprising a thermoplastic polymer, a phthalate ester of a C₁-C₆ alkylated aromatic alcohol, a metal carbonate, a white metal oxide pigment, an alkaline earth metal salt of a C₉-C₂₀ aliphatic fatty acid, a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer, a surfactant and a solvent.
 - 4. The dispersion of claim 1 comprising a thermoplastic polymer, a phthalate ester of a C_1 - C_6 alkylated aromatic alcohol, a white metal oxide pigment, a surfactant, and a solvent.
- 5. The dispersion of claim 1 further comprising a thermoplastic polymer, a phthalate ester of a C₁-C₆ alkylated aromatic alcohol, a metal carbonate, a white metal oxide, an alkaline earth metal salt of a C₉-C₂₀ aliphatic fatty acid, a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer, a surfactant, a solvent and a rust inhibitor.
 - 6. The dispersion of Claim 1 in a solid form.
- 7. The dispersion of Claim 6 in a granulated form.
 - 8. A primer comprising the dispersion of claim 6 and a primer solvent.
 - 9. The primer according to claim 8 further comprising a component selected from the group consisting of: a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer, a C_1 - C_6 ketone, a C_1 - C_6 ester, a phthalate ester of a C_1 - C_6 alkylated aromatic alcohol, a halogenated polyolefin, and a polymeric plasticizer.

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- 10. The primer of claim 8 further comprising a component selected from the group consisting of: an alcohol, a thermoplastic polymer, a polyhydroxy magnesium silicate derivate, and a silicon dioxide powder.
- 11. A primer comprising a primer solvent, a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer, a C₁-C₆ ketone, a C₁-C₆ ester, a phthalate ester of a C₁-C₆ alkylated aromatic alcohol, a polymeric plasticizer, a halogenated polyolefin, the dispersion of claim 3, and the dispersion of claim 4.
- 12. A primer comprising a primer solvent, a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer, a C₁-C₆ ketone, a C₁-C₆ ester, a phthalate ester of a C₁-C₆ alkylated aromatic alcohol, a polymeric plasticizer, a halogenated polyolefin, the dispersion of claim 3, the dispersion of claim 4, and the dispersion of claim 5.
 - 13. A primer comprising a primer solvent, a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer, a C_1 - C_6 ketone, a C_1 - C_6 ester, a phthalate ester of a C_1 - C_6 alkylated aromatic alcohol, an alcohol, a thermoplastic polymer, a polyhydroxy magnesium silicate derivate, a silicon dioxide powder, a polymeric plasticizer, a halogenated polyolefin, the dispersion of claim 3, and the dispersion of claim 4.
 - 14. An adhesion promoter comprising an aromatic hydrocarbon, a co-polymer of a C₂-C₆ alkene and a vinyl ester and a chlorinated polyolefin.
 - 15. A method of manufacturing a primer including the steps of: mixing a first primer solution in a first vessel;

mixing a second primer solution comprising the dispersion of claim 6 in a second vessel,;

mixing the first primer solution and the second primer solution together to form the primer.

25 16. A method of manufacturing a primer comprising:

mixing a first primer solution comprising a primer solvent and a lower alkyl methacrylate polymer;

mixing a second primer solution comprising a C_1 - C_6 ketone, a C_1 - C_6 ester, a phthalate ester of a C_1 - C_6 alkylated aromatic alcohol, and the dispersion of claim 1; and

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mixing the first primer solution and the second primer solution together with a C_1 - C_6 ester, a C_1 - C_6 ketone, a primer solvent, a polymeric plasticizer, and a halogenated polyolefin to form the primer.

- 17. The method of manufacturing a primer of claim 16 wherein the second primer solution comprises the dispersion of claim 3, and the dispersion of claim 4.
- 18. The method manufacturing the primer of claim 16 wherein the second primer solution comprises the dispersion of claim 3, the dispersion of claim 4 and the dispersion of claim 5.
- 19. A method for coating a surface of an article comprising:

 10 coating the surface with the adhesion promoter of claim 14; and coating the surface with the primer of claim 6.
 - 20. An article coated with the primer of claim 8.

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